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Water Wetlands
(Wetland Concerns
at Pailenville, NY)

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Subject: Letter from Chris Gibsons Office

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To Whom it May Concern,

Here is a letter I just received from our own Congressman Chris Gibson, regarding the insufficient investigation, regarding filling in our Nationally/NY State protected Wetlands, with Very suspicious construction debris, signed sworn statements, of a mound of tires buried, multiple videos with a couple hours videoing Mr. Edwards dumping garbage bags, in which the DEC did NOT respond to the Emergency call until 2 months after the call for witnessing garbage bags dumped, and a signed Statement, that STILL didn't help. The DEC has only tested the wells for my Property, the Hacketts property(home on the adjacent side of Mr. Edwards), Mr. Edwards well, and than a very lousy excuse, and waste of a Department of Health water test, that was taken at the Complete Opposite Side of the dumped suspicious debris, that has sat in the Wetlands for at least 2 Years now, with obvious contamination to the vegetation around it. The trees that are covered even a few feet up with his debris, are all dead around the parts of the shore of the Wetlands. I have believe that the DEC is trying to neglect, and make other agencies believe the wetlands are being tested. When all the wells mentioned above, are ALL uphill from the construction debris, garbage bags, tires etc. and that test from Mr. Edwards Property was taken from the front of Mr. Edwards property (OPPOSITE side of the property from the wetlands) and was taken from a somewhat newly dumped pile of mulch???

I have a fear also that the DEC might be covering up they're neglect from last year where Mr. Edwards was ALREADY given a Consent Order that he Already didn't sign, and I was told that there was already a negotiation with the legal Dept. of the DEC, with Marcia Ellis that was authorizing Mr. Edwards to only Slightly Slope the Large mound of debris, where a VERY large majority would have remained changing the biology of the water that is deemed Nationally Freshwater Emergent for a large portion, and a part that is "Supposed" to be Freshwater pond, Marcia Ellis was not informed of ANY of the allegations of contaminated debris, 2 separate 50 gallon oil Drums INTO the wetlands water, the allegations of our property's contaminated, and she was making Authorizations for Mr. Edwards to Only move the Small Portion of Debris Uphill, when she didn't even realize that there was a Home there. I am attaching the link at the bottom of the page, to the video again, that's compounded of the photos taken a month ago of exactly what this debris is, and it is OBVIOUS to MANY that it is GARBAGE, why isn't the DEC acknowledging it also? Obviously to me, and MANY other Individuals that the DEC needs some help making this situation right, and I sincerely hope some Division, that Still Cares about our Wetlands will help them Realize what this is, and its a garbage dump, into the Protected Wetlands Waters.

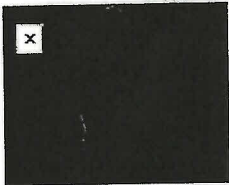
There are many Eyewitness statements acknowledging the debris dumped by the Tractor Trailer ARE NOT LEAVES, but the construction debris, the tire, the garbage bags, the bricks, and remnants of broken homes especially when MR. Edwards was noticed Quite busy up, and down Hunter Mountain after the hurricanes Destroyed many homes, that I believe are dumped there also.. Why weren't the sworn statements with the file for Legal dept. or the satellite imagery showing a LARGE hole on his property with a statement that tires were buried around there? or the statements from the

neighbors of MANY appliances dumped behind his property? Why didn't Lt. Beiter SIMPLY take the Health dept. to a puddle at the bottom of this mound That is Actually the one in Question? Why are the residents, and part of the Community MORE concerned for these Wetlands than the Departments PAID to look after them???

A strange question coming to my mind is can the DEC be fined, or prosecuted for ALREADY giving Mr. Edwards a consent order once, than ALREADY negotiated with him, and than when I rattled the cages, all of a sudden there is a NEW (second consent Order) and from the information I was told, and HAVE recorded, is that the DEC will negotiate with him AGAIN, instead of entering into a 3-5 year legal battle, so they have something removed. I believe Mr. Edwards knew exactly what he was doing by tripling his property by filling in the wetlands, and is getting what he wanted (more Property) with NO concern for our need for protected waters, and even got paid to get rid of debris that a garbage dump obviously wouldn't take, or else it should have been dumped There!!!! However Thank God that our Elected officials are recognizing this garbage for what it Exactly is...Please keep in mind THAT The Wetlands have NOT been tested, and our Well Water results will NOT clarify the quality of water that is seeping from this Garbage Mound INTO our Protected Wetlands.. And why hasn't Extremely Very High levels of Hazardous Lead in the dust that is flying around the Community being addressed??? THIS IS NEGLECT!!! Also why is the DEC now saying that Mr. Edwards was ONLY encroaching on the Wetlands, when it is DIRECTLY INTO THE WATERS, that run to the Saugerties Reservoir, and even the first incident # for any kind of Wetland violation there was, was for Dumping INTO the Wetlands, why did the borders CHANGE? Why would the Army Corps of Engineers be investigating something NOT INTO the WETLANDS? IT IS IN, AND WAS DUMPED DIRECTLY INTO THE WATER..... Below is also a letter from Chris Gibson asking for help, because HE HAS SEEN the proof that I have...

There is SO much More to this Entire Investigation, so please feel free to Email me for any additional information proof, dates, recordings, numbers etc. etc... Here is the link to the photos into a video, of what is and has been considered "Clean Fill" and has NOT been Violated by the DEC for the obvious Garbage IT IS...

Contamination/pollution, and Filling-into the "Supposed" to be National/NY State Protected Wetlands



Contamination/pollution, and Filling-into the "Supposed"...

[View on www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

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Dear Ms. Vaught,

I am writing on behalf of my constituent Ms. Stella R. Martin. Attached is a Privacy Act Release form I have received from Mrs. Martin along with a correspondence we received from her in December of 2014.

Ms. Martin alleges that her neighbor is contaminating, polluting and illegally filling in New York Protected Waterways and Nationally Protected Wetlands in Palenville, New York. Ms. Martin feels this has been insufficiently addressed by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and would like additional assistance resolving this matter.

As this is a matter of great importance to my constituent, I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosures and provide her with appropriate information with regard to the contamination, pollution and filling of this land.

Please direct your response to Ms. Stella Martin via phone (518) 578-1126, email stellarenee75@yahoo.com or mail 2851 Route 23A, Palenville, New York 12463.

I am grateful for any assistance you can provide and thank you for your courtesy and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Chris Gibson
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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Cc: Ms. Stella Martin ✓

Sincerely,
Stella Martin

